



Other Forrest Smith

September 21, 1944 - April 26, 2022

Other Forrest Smith passed away on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at the age of 77, surrounded by the love of his family. Diane Susan Fontcuberta Smith, his wife of 55 years, was the love of his life and his best friend. He cherished the life they made together and had a fierce commitment to his family. His children and grandchildren were his greatest joy and his life's purpose. He prayed daily for each of them by name: Terese (Dan), Angela (Baron), Forrest "Michael", Timothy (Heather), Andrew (Corie), and Robert "Gregory" (Beth), and his grandchildren: Brandon (Candice), Natalie, Katherine, Daniel, Matthew, Victoria, Baron, Pierson, Jonathan (Erika), Cash, Sullivan, Tessa, Samuel, Kensington, Beckett, and great-granddaughter Holly.

He is survived by his siblings Kathleen Curtis (Michael), Vernon Smith (Juliette), and Priscilla Pinckard (David). He is preceded in death by his parents Vernon and Dollie Rose Smith, and his brothers Robert Smith, Leslie Edmiston (Carol), Kenneth Edmiston (Gayle), and his granddaughter Natalie Wells.

Forrest grew up in Mandeville, LA and served in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971 at Ft. Polk as an SP5 serving in the Adjutant General's office. Upon college graduation, he worked with the Mississippi Delta Area Council BSA. After returning to Louisiana, he and Diane created their home in LaPlace, where he worked in the Fontcuberta family business, Survey's Inc. He was later employed by Archer Daniel Midland in Reserve until he retired. Forrest was deeply patriotic, passionate for life and eager to learn from and

explore new adventures. Traveling with his wife in their little camper, Someday Came, they enjoyed visiting family and friends near and far. He was an amateur astronomer who spent many years educating himself and could often be found viewing the stars whenever the sky was clear. As a member of the Baton Rouge Astronomical Society his experience grew as did his many friendships. His lifelong love for camping, combined with his interest in astronomy, led to many Star Gazing Campout adventures in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Okie-Tex. Now he has full understanding into the vastness and beauty of this universe.

Forrest was an active member of Reserve Christian Church, now LifeHouse Church, where he served faithfully for 44 years. His love and compassion for all made him active in the Pro-Life movement saving the lives of the unborn and offering help to the mothers. He was a Chaplain for the Soul Patrol, a ministry that shared to the community love and prayers with those who were homebound, in hospitals, or in nursing homes. Forrest was a hope dealer, he never gave up on anyone. He may not have had all of the answers but he wouldn't stop until he found someone who did. You could always count on Forrest, he would show up and never let anyone go through a trial alone. He knew the worth of friends and family and treasured each relationship.

How he loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. Together they enjoyed geocaching, dancing, swimming, hiking, and playing games. Paw Paw will always be remembered for taking the longest turns in any game and never understanding the timeline in Back to the Future. Forrest had an enlarged heart, and he was able to love deeper, longer, and harder than most. His patience, kindness and always smiling face will be forever missed. His legacy will live on through his family and those his life touched, by the example he lived. With his eyes on His Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, he fought a good fight, finished his race, and kept the faith. He received his Crown of Righteousness as he entered the Kingdom of Heaven.

Family and friends are invited to attend services at LifeHouse Church, 3556 W. Airline Hwy, Reserve, LA on Saturday, May 7, 2022. Visitation begins at

10:00 a.m., followed by a Service at 11:30 a.m. Burial will be at Parklawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Hammond, LA.

Arrangements are being handled by Millet-Guidry Funeral Home in LaPlace, LA. To share memories or condolences, please visit www.milletguidry.com

Cemetery Details

Parklawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery

41372 Thompson Drive
Hammond, LA 70403

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

LifeHouse Church
3556 W. Airline Hwy.
Reserve, LA 70084

Funeral Service

MAY 7. 11:30 AM (CT)

LifeHouse Church
3556 W. Airline Hwy.
Reserve, LA 70084

Tribute Wall



“ *Other Forrest Smith*

October 05, 2023 at 08:59 AM



“ *Such a pleasant, nice man. We have many good memories of our years at Reserve Christian with Forrest and Diane. He always had a friendly smile and something nice to say. Diane, we're so sorry for your loss. Our love and sympathy to you and your family.*

Fred & Phyllis Boudreaux

Fred & Phyllis Boudreaux - May 08, 2022 at 06:43 PM



“ *Forrest - such a pillar of love, life, joy, friendship, a disciple of Jesus when life was good, when it was bad; and a man who loved his family, friends and savior so deeply. Words can not express the deep condolences to his wife and each one of his children that I feel. I love you guys*

Bro Mike Boudreaux

Mike Boudreaux - May 05, 2022 at 04:28 PM

A#

“ Christmas Day, 2020

After too long apart (due to the pandemic) and months of planning (working to coordinate the schedules and priorities of everyone's busy lives), Christmas in Virginia was a go. If only! On December 10th, the Governor of Virginia signed an executive order restricting all in home gatherings. I regretfully sent out a text cancelling Christmas 😞. After 2 days of scrutinizing the wording of the order, I sat down with Corie to discuss..."Option A: the police arrive and we tell them that everyone currently lives with us while they try to find a place of their own". "Option B: the Police arrive and we have Mom and Dad talk to them...at which point they will consider it to be a religious event 😊". We agreed Christmas was back on! It was a wonderful time, and Dad indeed stole the show with reflection, scripture, and prayer that evening.



Andrew (kid #5) - May 05, 2022 at 09:44 AM

AK

“ What a beautiful couple...My mom and Dad 😊



Andrew Smith (the favorite kid) - May 04, 2022 at 09:43 PM

DA

“ Forest volunteered for many years at RPH for me in OP S . He was the light in everyone 's day especially the patients and staff . Most recently I would run into him and Diane at Walmart and catch up on his family and his life , and I so enjoyed that time . His smile was contagious ! I will miss seeing him in this life . My condolences to Diane and his beautiful family . I will be out of town for his service but hope to visit soon with you Diane in person . May you Forest already be in the arms of Jesus !!

Diane Abbondante - May 04, 2022 at 08:39 AM

BM

“ For as long as I can remember back to our childhood days, Forrest was there. He has always been there. It was always Diane and Forrest. I remember going to their wedding all those years ago, too. And for as long as I've known Forrest, I don't think he was ever anything else besides kind, and loving, and smiling (always smiling - a big smile), and kidding sometimes, and being just an overall good natured, good ole boy. I am truly going to miss Forrest. My dearest Diane, I hope you will come and see us anytime - for Family Night at Pops or any other time at all. Belinda.

Belinda Maddie - May 03, 2022 at 09:20 PM

DC

“ Love the obituary, a wonderful tribute. Mr. Forrest was one of a kind. I saw him sometime last year in Walmart, and the first thing he asked was about my dad. He was always a kind loving person. I remember going to their house and just hanging out with Terese. I really miss my childhood. I was fortunate to grow up in the 80's and to have known Mr. Forrest. God bless you and your family.

Debbie Cambre - May 03, 2022 at 06:50 PM

JO

“ *This obituary is a wonderful tribute to Uncle Forrest! His love and passion for Christ, his family, and total strangers will always leave a lasting impression with me.*

John - May 03, 2022 at 05:59 PM

KR

“ *His smile brought a a light
In my heart and soul. He had a laugh that brought laughter to all
around him. Watching the love that he and Diane had for one
another and family
Brought joy to everyone. They spread and shared their love and
hope with family and friends. I'm so grateful that I was invited to
their 50th anniversary Celebration.
It reconnected me to high school friends that have been a blessing.
Love and prayers for everyone who will miss him.*

Kathy Retif-Sarver - May 03, 2022 at 05:21 PM

G.

*He was my first customer ..I worked on his automobile for 33 years one
of the most kindest man I ever had the pleasure of being his friend
..RIP my friend ..may the lord accept you in his loving arms ..*

Glenn Harrilal glennharrilal at yahoo .c - May 03, 2022 at 05:25 PM

WD

“ *Please accept my warmest condolences. I'm
truly sorry for your loss.
May the Lord give you comfort and peace in
your time of bereavement.*



Wendel & Tracy Delatte - May 03, 2022 at 05:15 PM

RB

“ *What a beautiful, heartfelt obituary!*

Roseanne R Brumit - May 03, 2022 at 04:58 PM

SG

“ *So sorry for your loss, He was such a jolly loving person. I loved watching the two of you sharing precious fun times in your lives.*



sal / janie graffia - May 03, 2022 at 04:33 PM